

## The Mission Field

## Chicago Mission

They washed their hands before and after meal, an important matter by the way, when so many hands meet in the same dish. This ancient and reasonable custom the Pharisees magnified into a command, who, "except they wash their hands oft eat not." Mark 7: 24 I noticed that Raschids servant poured water on his hands while he washed them—an office coming from ancient times. "And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, here is Elisha, the son of Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah." II Kings 3: 11. "He that dipped his hand with me in the dish." Matt. 26: 23. "So when he had dipped the sop he taketh and giveth it to Judas." John 13: 26. when he had dipped the sop piece or mouthful out of the dish, of say pottage, probably more solid than fluid and sufficiently cooled down to allow of eating it. Pillau is boiled rice with mutton fat. I take it that this, his last supper was eaten probably in the same place in which they had been taking their supper since they came from Bethany. It was likely composed of very much the same substances as previous ones, but being his last supper and he having instituted before it feet washing and after it the breaking and partaking of bread and pouring out and drinking of the fruit of the vine, which together are called the communion of the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Our love feasts made of simple, substantial and satisfying edibles are held as memorials of the last supper on earth of our divine Master and should be suppers held at supper time. A homeopathic love feast composed of a crumb of bread and sip of water is like homeopathic baptism by a sprinkle is but a sanctimonious pretense.

In writing of the posterity of Esau, brother of Jacob, their customs being alike, Mr. Bausman says: "In their domestic and social habits they are as perfectly patriarchal as the age of Abraham; in fact they are a specimen of that period transferred to the nineteenth century. They can never conceal their astonishment at seeing persons sitting on chairs instead of the bare earth, and eating at tables by means of knives and forks instead of having all they eat in one large bowl on the table which nature has made, and extricating their several portions with their own as best they can." If the original Greek term, *psomion* conveys the meaning of bread in I shall thank some one to give us the testimony to that effect. There is no proof that the pottage of the tureen were in the liquid form. If so, then I say soup. There is no evidence that he dipped a morsel or sop into soup or into anything else. He used his hand to dip a morsel out of the tureen. Dip into liquid bread in this connection are mere surmise.

Montandon Pa.

I will answer for it, the longer you read the Bible, the more you will like it; it will grow sweeter and sweeter; and the more you get into the spirit of it, the more you will get into the spirit of Christ.—Romaine.

It has been some time since my last letter. I am in my usual health now. Last week we were very busy moving the mission and getting ready for work in our new place of worship; to hold the fort against Satan. We have much to do this week also, and yet our hands are tied somewhat, as the landlord has failed to fulfil his part of the contract in getting the building ready for us. So we are hindered in our work. With all this resting upon us, there are many sick to visit, two of our Sunday school pupils have need and much needed our presence, besides others. But bless the Lord at this writing they are better, getting along nicely. Brother Talley is out looking after the district work since April 25th.

*Wedding Bells Have Rung.* Two of our faithful members, Mr. Hall and Mrs. MacCauley, were united in holy wedlock. They have our well wishes, and may they be richly blessed with all spiritual and temporal blessings.

*Visitors.* We have within the last two weeks been refreshed by the presence and company of brother John Heitzman and Mrs. M. E. Freas (my aunt) of Milledgeville, Ill. Sister Wachtel and Mrs. Olan, Lanark, Ill. John Turner, of Longmont, Colo., Chas. Hesse, of Carleton, Neb. Their stay was short, too short, but it did us much good, come again.

Brother Chas. has come to prepare himself for better work for his Master and is pleasantly settled in "The Moody Institute;" he has our prayers for his success. He is a willing worker and will do all he can for our work here, he was with us about two years ago and helped in the work. We need just such as he to push out into God's cause. Come boys and girls get ready, there is much to do. "Let us not grow weary in well doing."

Yours in his name,

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## Washington City Echoes

First, I want to tell everybody what a boy seven years old can do when he loves Jesus. His name is Hugo Paul Wise, of Middlebranch, Ohio. I wish I could find room for the beautiful letter he has written me. He sends \$1.00 for the church building here and expects to send more a little later. And mind you he works and earns with his own efforts, the money he sends in. Listen what he says, "I will tell you how I earned it. Perhaps some other little boys could do the same. I gathered dandelion and sold it here in town. I carried messages, gathered the eggs, etc. It is only a mite toward a church I know but hope it will encourage other little boys to do likewise." I will endeavor to earn another dollar for mission this summer yet.

Thank you, dear little Paul and may the blessed Savior wonderfully bless you.

Ah, how soon we would have missions and

church homes in all of the large cities if only all of the members in the Brethren church, young and old, had the self sacrificing spirit of little Paul Wise! He gives—not the bare leavings—but that which costs something. It is a pleasure to him to give. His gift of \$1.00 means ten bricks in the church building in the capital city. How many other little boys and girls want to follow his example. And this reminds me that our Missionary society has quite recently adopted the brick buyer method of raising funds. Each card represents fifty bricks at ten cents each. It promises to be quite a success. If this plan could be taken up and worked thru the Sunday schools and the S. S. C. E's. of the brotherhood we would soon have all the funds needed to secure our church property. God grant that it may be so.

I am glad to be able to say that for the past month or more our congregations have been very encouraging indeed.

Quite an interest is manifested on the part of many. We trust it may increase until they are willing to accept the full Bible salvation.

Your servant in the Gospel,

W. M. LYON.

## April Report of the Missionary Board of the Brethren Church

## GENERAL FUND

Sister C. S., Waterloo, Iowa,	\$15 00
Barrel receipts,	1 55
J. L. G.,	5 00
J. M. L.,	2 50
King's Children, Enon church, Iowa,	1 59
Mrs. E. S., Cozara, Neb.,	1 20
Godfrey church, Bourbon Co., Kansas,	3 88
Millersburg King's Children,	1 00
Mrs. M. M., Milledgeville, Ill.,	2 00
H. C. W., Lansdale, Pa.,	2 00
N. C. N., Herrington, Kans.,	3 00
O. M. H., Columbus, Ohio,	1 00
J. H., Sergeantsville, N. J.,	1 00
H. H., Allentown, Pa.,	54
M. H.,	25
Mrs. M. S. H.,	50
A. H.,	68
M. S. H.,	51
S. H.,	1 50
Mrs. A. G.,	79
Sister C. S., Cedar Falls, Iowa,	9 00
W. & I. M., Nevada, Mo.,	2 00

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## WASHINGTON FUND

Conemaugh church, Pa.,	2 61
Bethany church, Va.,	5 00
D. S., Masontown, Pa.,	4 00
W. D.,	50
M. G.,	50
Matilda,	25
Johnstown church, Pa.,	10 00
Penna. S. S. C. E.,	5 00
Hagerstown church, Md.,	2 10
Mt Zion & Round Hill churches, Va.,	2 00
Pittsburg church, Pa.,	3 50
Offerings Washington church,	18 50

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## CHICAGO FUND

C. Rowland for Illiokota District,	24 00
McLouth church, Kansas,	6 80
Mrs. M., South Bend, Ind.,	2 00
Offerings Chicago Mission,	4 24
King's Children, Berne, Ind.,	1 50
Warsaw church, Ind.,	2 00
S. S. C. E., Fairview, Ind., pledged at North Manchester Con.	10 00

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